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FROM: RAY CARLSON, CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

DATE: October 6, 2004

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #13 TO THE FLORIDA – REGION 9 PLAN

Amendment #13 to the Region 9 Plan has been completed (pending FCC approval), less appendices. Copies can be obtained from the website <http://sto.myflorida.com/safety/r9webpg.htm> or from the State Technology Office by emailing [jean-pierre.saliba@myflorida.com](mailto:jean-pierre.saliba@myflorida.com) or calling (850) 922-7418. Until this revised Plan is approved by the Federal Communications Commission, applications will be processed by the Florida Region Committee per Amendment #13 as an exception to the current Plan (Amendment #12). Applications approved by the Committee will be subject to FCC action for the same. Substantive changes contained within this amendment include:

- New tables of channel allotments (Tables IV and V), including Benchmark dates.
- Updated information for the Florida Committee members (Table I)
- Revised Section 5.3.8 to include the Mutual Aid Operational Policy and Procedure.
- Added section 6.3 to outline the procedure for applying for a Special Temporary Authority (STA).

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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #12 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Amendment #12 to the Region 9 Plan has been completed (pending FCC approval), less appendices. Copies can be obtained from the Internet at <http://www.state.fl.us/dms/tools/plnpl/r9webpg.html> or from the Florida Bureau of Wireless Communications by emailing [wellsc@dms.state.fl.us](mailto:wellsc@dms.state.fl.us) or calling (850) 922-7426. Until this revised Plan is approved by the Federal Communications Commission, applications will be processed by the Florida Region Committee per Amendment #12 as an exception to the current Plan (Amendment #11). Applications approved by the Committee will be subject to APCO and FCC action for the same. Substantive changes contained within this amendment include:

- New tables of channel allotments (Tables IV and V), including Benchmark dates
- Updated information for Florida Committee members (Table I)
- Revised Section 4.5 to define simultaneous receipt of two or more applications.
- Revised Section 5.3.1(B) for more emphasis on coverage equivalency.
- Added a new Section 5.4.6 to address Radio Frequency Control Stations

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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #11 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Amendment #11 to the Region 9 Plan has been completed (pending FCC approval), less appendices. Copies can be obtained from the Internet at <http://www.state.fl.us/dms/tools/plnpl/r9webpg.html> or from the Florida Bureau of Wireless Communications by emailing [wellsc@dms.state.fl.us](mailto:wellsc@dms.state.fl.us) or calling (850) 922-7426. Until this revised Plan is approved by the Federal Communications Commission, applications will be processed by the Florida Region Committee per Amendment #11 as an exception to the current Plan (Amendment #10). Applications approved by the Committee will be subject to APCO and FCC action for the same. Changes contained within this amendment include:

- New tables of channel allotments (Tables IV and V), including Benchmark dates
- Updated information for Florida Committee members (Table I)
- 1-year Benchmark replaced with a 2-year Benchmark in Section 4.7, and present benchmarks extended 1 year
- Revises Section 3.2 (Region Committee Operating Procedures) to promote a quorum for Region Committee meetings
- Revised Section 5.3.4 (Network Control Centers) to include the Florida Bureau of Wireless Communications
- Revised Section 5.3.5 (Assignment of Control) to improve statutory references and responsibilities
- Revised Section 5.3.6 (Technical Limitations on Mutual Aid Channels) to include prohibition on Telephone Interconnect and Radio Cross-Patching
- Revised Section 6.1 (General Application Requirements) to specify requirements for Mutual Aid applications
- Modifications throughout the Plan, primarily Block #11 or the Channel Allotment Process and Table II it references, to align it with the consolidation of radio services, Second Report and Order (FCC 97-61)

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SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #10 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is a complete copy of the Region Plan through Amendment #10 (pending FCC approval), less appendices. Until this revised Plan is approved by the Federal Communications Commission, applications will be processed by the Florida Region Committee per Amendment #10 as an exception to the current Plan (Amendment #9). Applications approved by the Committee will be subject to APCO and FCC action for the same. Changes contained within this amendment include:

- New tables of channel allotments (Tables IV and V), including Benchmark dates
- Updated names, addresses, and phone numbers for Florida Committee members
- Revised Section 4.5 (Allotment Process and Figure 2) to provide a continuously open filing window
- Addition of new requirements for Portable "Talkaround-only" Systems
- Further clarification of coverage equivalency for mutual-aid channels
- Reduced Terrain Profile Graph requirements

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FROM: MARK PALLANS, CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

DATE: AUGUST 30, 1995

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #9 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is Region Plan Amendment #9 which was approved by the FCC on June 27, 1995. Changes contained within this amendment include:

- New tables of channel allotments (Tables IV and V), including updated Benchmark dates
- Updated addresses, phone numbers and references to FCC Form 600
- Procedure for submittal of FRIP (Florida Region Interference Program) reports on floppy disk rather than hardcopy

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: RECIPIENTS OF THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN FOR PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: MARK PALLANS, CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

DATE: JUNE 16, 1994

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #8 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is a complete copy of the Region Plan through Amendment #8 (less appendices). Amendment #8 was approved by the FCC on March 30, 1994. Significant changes in this amendment include:

- additional provisions about coverage equivalency between Mutual Aid and non-mutual aid systems
- requirements that dispatch centers which are not primary control points for Mutual Aid repeaters must have either RF or wireline control to the Mutual Aid channel repeaters
- provisions to improve the flexibility and usefulness of Mutual Aid Channels following major disaster situations.
- clarifying that the State does not intend to act as primary control center for any Mutual Aid channels
- examples of proper and improper use of Mutual Aid Channels
- clarifying the role and responsibilities of Network Control Centers for Mutual Aid Channels
- changing the Slow Growth construction time from 3 to 5 years
- requiring added justification to use conventional channels

If you have any questions, please call me at (305) 596-8941, SUNCOM 437-8941.

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Enclosure: Florida - Region 9 Plan For Public Safety Radio Communications (Amendment #8)

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FOR PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: MARK PALLANS, CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

DATE: OCTOBER 4, 1993

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #7 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is Region Plan Amendment #7 which was approved by the FCC on September 23, 1993. This amendment replaces the tables of channel allotments (Tables III and IV) in accordance with the statewide re-allotment of channels completed earlier this year. All POOLED and DEDICATED channels have a new Application Benchmark Date of 9/23/94.

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: RECIPIENTS OF THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN FOR PUBLIC  
SAFETY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

FROM: JOHN R. DISALVO, P.E., CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

DATE: JUNE 9, 1992

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #6 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is Region Plan Amendment #6 which was approved by the FCC on June 4, 1992. This amendment replaces 2 pages of Table III and all of Table IV reflecting allotments approved for the School Board of Palm Beach County, Palm Beach County Solid Waste Authority, City of Palm Beach Gardens, Pinellas County, and Sarasota County. In addition, all Application Benchmark Dates of May 7, 1992 are extended to September 8, 1992. The new date has been changed on the enclosed pages 4-19 and 4-20 of Table III. Please make a pen & ink change reflecting the new date for all other Table III pages.

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Enclosure: Amendment #6

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: RECIPIENTS OF THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN FOR PUBLIC SAFETY  
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DATE: MARCH 23, 1992

FROM: JOHN R. DISALVO, P.E., CHAIRMAN, FLORIDA REGION COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT #5 TO THE FLORIDA - REGION 9 PLAN

Enclosed with this memorandum is Amendment #5 of the Plan which was approved by the FCC on March 9, 1992. This amendment replaces Table I (Region Committee Members), and replaces portions of Tables III and IV (channel allotments) affected by the Martin County and Dade County allotment changes requested on their applications received during our previous filing window.

On each revised page (except in Tables III & IV), a vertical bar ("|") in the left margin identifies lines of text modified since the previous issue of that page.

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Recipients of the Florida - Region 9 Plan for Public Safety Radio Communications

FROM: John R. DiSalvo, P.E., Chairman, Florida Region

SUBJECT: Amendment #4 to the Florida - Region 9 Plan

Enclosed with this memorandum is Amendment #4 of the Plan. This amendment replaces Table III (channel allotments), adds Table IV (cross reference by channel number), specifies use of horizontal antenna gain in FRIP, requires submittal of vertical gain patterns of downtilt antennas, removes Tables VII, VIII, and IX, removes the previous requirement for drawings of interference contours, as well as other updates and corrections on several pages.

On each revised page (except in Tables III & IV), a vertical bar (") in the left margin identifies lines of text modified since the previous issue of that page.

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

TO: Recipients of the Florida - Region 9 Plan for Public Safety Radio Communications

FROM: John R. DiSalvo, P.E., Chairman, Florida Region

SUBJECT: Amendment #3 to the Florida - Region 9 Plan

Enclosed with this memorandum is Amendment #3 of the Plan. This amendment establishes a process for benchmark deadlines for license applications. The first benchmark date is May 7, 1992, one year following the FCC approval date of this amendment.

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## AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Subregion Chairmen, Florida Region and Other  
Recipients of the Florida - Region 9 Public Safety Plan

**FROM:** John R. DiSalvo, P.E., Chairman, Florida Region

**SUBJECT:** Amendment #2 to the Florida (Region 9) Public Safety Plan

Enclosed with this memorandum is Amendment #2 of the Plan. This amendment makes use of more applicable terminology (allotment instead of allocation and Mutual Aid Channels instead of Common Channels), includes the FAX numbers of the Region Committee members, revises Region Committee operating procedures on some voting issues, redefines the Mutual Aid channel implementation requirements, and expands on interference contour drawings required for the application process. Also included are the revised Table of Contents Which have been updated due to the aforementioned changes.

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After making these changes, please file this amendment memorandum as the last page in the Table of Contents Section of the Plan (behind page vi AMENDMENT #2). Chairmen, please make copies of this amendment and transmit them to your committee members.

If you have any questions please call me or Bob Ferrell at (904) 488-3866.

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FROM: John R. DiSalvo, P.E., Chairman, Florida Region

SUBJECT: Amendment #1 to the Florida (Region 9) Public Safety Plan

Enclosed with this memorandum is Amendment #1 of the Plan. This amendment makes updates to names, addresses and telephone numbers of the Florida Region Committee Members (page 2-3) and also allows the window period to be more than 30 days (page 4-3).

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Summary

Due to the growing problem of radio spectrum shortages and the inadequacy of scattered frequency allocations to meet intercommunications needs between public safety agencies, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Authorization Act of 1983 required *"that the FCC establish a plan which adequately ensures that the needs of State and local public safety agencies will be taken into account when the FCC makes decisions regarding spectrum allocations."*

In July 1986, following a study of present and future public safety communications requirements<sup>1</sup>, the FCC allocated the 821-824/866-869 MHz band (previously known as the "800 MHz reserve") to Public Safety and Special Emergency Radio Service eligibles<sup>2</sup>. In further accordance with the Congressional directive however, the allocation specified that the new frequencies could not be used until a National Plan for their utilization had been adopted.

The FCC then established a National Public Safety Planning Advisory Committee (NPSPAC)<sup>3</sup> to develop a plan for use of the new spectrum to satisfy the two broad objectives of *interoperability* between communications systems and *efficient use* of the spectrum. The resulting National Plan was adopted by the FCC in November 1987<sup>4</sup>. A major component of the National Plan was the subdivision of the United States and its territories into local planning regions of which the State of Florida is designated as Region 9.

In following the guidelines of the National Plan, the Florida Region Plan:

- A. Identified the communications requirements of public safety services in terms of the channel requirements through the year 2000;
- B. Established a scheme for efficient use of the new frequencies through initial computer allotment of channels and subsequent application requirements;
- C. Established a scheme to increase utility of existing public safety frequencies by means of requirements regarding the relinquishment of lower frequencies, as well as through conformance to established State of Florida plans;

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<sup>1</sup> FCC Order, PR Docket No. 84-232, entitled "Future Public Safety Telecommunications Requirements", adopted June 21, 1985.

<sup>2</sup> FCC Report and Order, General Docket Nos. 84-1231, 84-1233, and 84-1234 adopted July 24, 1986.

<sup>3</sup> Charter of the National Public Safety Planning Advisory Committee, published in Appendix A, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, General Docket No. 87-112, adopted November 24, 1987.

<sup>4</sup> FCC Report and Order, General Docket No. 87-112, entitled "Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment of Part 90 to Establish Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/866-869, MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services", adopted November 24, 1987.

- D. Addresses the use of new technology applications to public safety communications, and;
- E. Establishes review and approval requirements at the Region level to insure compliance with the National Plan.

This Region Plan for radio spectrum usage by public safety agencies in the State of Florida was prepared by the Florida Region and Subregion Plan Committees, which represent a cross-section of public safety radio users throughout the State of Florida. The process of developing the Plan has included representative individuals of agencies legally responsible for public safety radio communications interests at the State, County, and municipal levels to insure that all Public Safety and Special Emergency Radio Service eligibles have had an opportunity to participate.

Although this Plan has been prepared with the most current information and resources available to the Region Committee, it is expected that new and modified needs will arise from time to time for varying reasons, and that revisions to accommodate these needs will be necessary. Applicants are advised to verify that only the most current version of this Plan is used in preparing applications.

Eligible parties must also be aware that the available frequencies contained in this Plan are not necessarily a permanent allocation to the Public Safety and Special Emergency categories. The FCC will reassess the issue of unused spectrum after five years from the date of the Report and Order<sup>5</sup> adopting the Public Safety National Plan. Channels unused at that time may be subject to reallocation to other service categories.

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<sup>5</sup> FCC Report and Order, General Docket No. 87-312, entitled "Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment of Part 90 to Establish Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/866-869, MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services", adopted November 24, 1987.

## 1.2 Acknowledgments

On behalf of the Florida Region, sincere appreciation is extended to the Chairmen of each of the Florida Subregions<sup>6</sup> for their invaluable assistance and patience during preparation of this Plan, as well as to all Subregion Committee Members in general, who through their work with individual agencies, provided the data necessary to establish spectrum requirements throughout the State of Florida.

Particular appreciation is given to Mr. Mark Pallans of Subregion 7 for his work in preparation of the original planning document for that subregion, which served as the core from which the full Region Plan was developed.

Appreciation is also due for the cooperation and assistance of the Officers of the Florida Chapter of the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials - International, Inc. (APCO), including their assistance in the arrangement of meeting facilities and advertisement of Florida Region Meetings, for the copying and distribution of Florida Region Plan drafts, and especially for their unqualified support in general toward a successful completion of the Florida Region Plan.

A special thanks is extended to the Florida Region Writing Committee,<sup>7</sup> who volunteered and committed their time, energy, and ideas toward a successful final draft of the Florida Region Plan.

A final note of appreciation is extended to Mr. Bob Ferrell, Florida Region Vice Chairman, not only for his service as an influential Task Group Leader of the National Public Safety Planning Advisory Committee (NPSPAC) during 1987, but also for his many hours of work toward the final form of this Florida Region Plan, particularly as regards its organization, technical accuracy, and thoroughness.

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<sup>6</sup> Appendix A, page A-19, "Initial Members of the Florida Region Committee" lists the original committee members. A list of current members is in **Table I** on page 2-3.

<sup>7</sup> The final Writing Committee consisted of Mr. John DiSalvo (Region Chairman), Mr. Bob Ferrell (Region Vice Chairman), Mr. Rick Stevens (Subregion 1 Chairman), Mr. Steve Harbuck (Subregion 2 Chairman), Mr. Earl Hoffay (Subregion 3 Chairman), Mr. Greg Ballantine, (representative, Subregion 4), Mr. Jerry Meinhardt (representative, Subregion 5), Mr. Ben Holycross (Subregion 6 Chairman), Mr. Joe Mancuso (Subregion 7 Chairman), Mr. Mark Pallans (representative, Subregion 7), Mr. John McHugh (representative, Subregion 7), Mr. Jean Hahn (representative, Subregion 7) and Mr. Richard Jenkins (representative, Subregion 7).

### 1.3 Authority

The availability of the 821-824/866-869 MHz frequencies to eligibles in the Public Safety Pool is governed by FCC Rules and Regulations, Sections 90.16 which state in part:

***"The Commission has established a National Plan which specifies special policies and procedures governing the Public Safety Pool (formerly Public Safety Radio Services and the Special Emergency Radio Service). The National Plan is contained in the Report and Order in General Docket No. 87-112."***

and further that:

***"No assignments will be made in the 821-824 MHz and 866-869 MHz bands until a regional plan for the area has been accepted by the Commission."***

Procedures for the selection and assignment of these frequencies to eligibles within the Florida Region, and in particular the requirements regarding co-channel interference, adjacent offset-channel interference, and channel exclusivity are contained within this Region Plan under the authority of FCC Rules and Regulations, Section 90.621 (g), which states in part:

***"Applications for Public Safety systems (both trunked and conventional) in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands will be assigned and protected based on the criteria established in the appropriate regional plan."***

The Florida Region Plan has been developed to conform with the National Plan. If there arises a conflict between the two plans, the National Plan will govern. It is expected that other Region Plans will differ from this Plan due to dissimilar circumstances and geography. Nothing in this Plan is to interfere with the proper functions and duties of organizations certified by the FCC for frequency coordination in the Private Land Mobile Radio Services, but rather it provides for procedures which are the consensus of the Public Safety Radio Pool eligibles in the Florida Region. If there arises a perceived conflict, the judgment of the FCC will prevail.

This Region Plan does not attempt to restate all FCC Rules and Regulations which apply to applications for and use of frequencies in this band. Part 90 of the FCC Rules is contained in the "Code of Federal Regulations, Title 47 (CFR 47), Part 80 to End". This volume is revised annually, issued after October 1 of each year, and may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, telephone (202) 512-1530; within Florida from the U.S. Government Bookstore, 100 W. Bay Street, Jacksonville, FL 32202, telephone (904) 512-1530; or on the Internet from the National Archives and Records Administration at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html>. The Code of Federal Regulations is kept up-to-date by the individual issues of the Federal Register.



These two publications must be used together to determine the latest version of any given FCC rule which may apply to frequencies in the 821-824/866-869 MHz band.

#### **1.4 Requests for Copies**

A master copy of the FCC-approved Florida Region Plan and all subsequent amendments will be maintained by the State of Florida State Technology Office. Copies of the latest approved version of the Florida Region Plan may be obtained from:

The Florida Region Committee  
c/o Network Engineering Design  
State Technology Office  
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or via the Internet from: <http://sto.myflorida.com/safety/r9webpg.htm>

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#### **1.5 Amendment Procedures**

Amendments to the Florida Region Plan will be prepared by the Florida Region Committee and coordinated with the FCC for review and approval as required. With each amendment, an AMENDMENT MEMORANDUM will be placed directly behind the Table of Contents which defines the essence of the revisions included in the new edition.

*END OF SECTION 1*

## 2.0 DEVELOPMENT OF THE FLORIDA REGION PLAN

### 2.1 Public Notice and Convening Meeting of the Florida Region

Public Notice of the Convening Meeting of the Florida Region<sup>8</sup> was published in the Florida Administrative Weekly<sup>9</sup>, as well as directly mailed to County Administrators<sup>10</sup>, City Clerks or Managers<sup>11</sup>, Emergency Medical and other Special Emergency eligibles<sup>12</sup>, as well as other interested parties<sup>13</sup> as shown in Appendix A. The Florida Administrative Weekly is published by the Florida Department of State and is the official publication in the State of Florida for notification of rulemaking proceedings, hearings, workshops and meetings.

The Convening Meeting, as were all subsequent Region and Subregion Committee meetings, was open to the public and encouraged the addressing of all issues and suggestions toward mutual satisfaction of both FCC requirements and public safety need regarding the 821-824/866-869 MHz spectrum.

The Convening Meeting followed a published agenda<sup>14</sup>, during which issues of National and Region significance were addressed by Florida, APCO, and FCC officials. During this meeting, a Region Chairman was elected by vote of the members present, and the geographic Subregions of the State were defined and approved as a practical approach to managing development of the Region Plan. The Florida Subregions were determined based on locations of the major metropolitan areas of Florida and are shown on Figure 1, page 2-2. Selection of Subregion Convenors was completed, as well as agreement of the process for establishing Subregion Committees and holding Subregion Meetings. The Official Minutes and Attendee List of the Convening Meeting<sup>15</sup> are included in Appendix A. Names, addresses, and telephone numbers of the current Region and Subregion Chairmen are shown in Table 1 on page 2-3.

### 2.2 The Florida Region Committee and Committee Meetings

The Florida Region Committee was established to consist of the Region Chairman and each of the Subregion Chairmen (with advisory membership from the Florida State Technology Office and the APCO Florida Chapter frequency advisory committee<sup>16</sup>), to oversee and advise Subregion operations, as well as to prepare and maintain the Florida Region Plan. Following the Convening meeting, four additional Florida Region Committee meetings were conducted during 1988 and 1989 toward development of this Florida Region Plan<sup>17</sup>.

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<sup>8</sup> See Appendix A, page A-2, "Public Notice Advertisement".

<sup>9</sup> See Appendix A, pages A-22 through A-88, "Florida Administrative Weekly Subscribers".

<sup>10</sup> See Appendix A, pages A-89 through A-94, "List of Notified County Administrators".

<sup>11</sup> See Appendix A, page A-95 through A-111, "List of Notified City Clerks/Managers".

<sup>12</sup> See Appendix A, pages A-112 through A-132, "List of Notified Hospitals and Trauma Centers", pages A-133 through A-144, "List of Notified Emergency Medical Service Providers", and pages A-145 and A-146, "List of Notified Medical Associations".

<sup>13</sup> See Appendix A, page A-147, "List of Notified Interested Parties".

<sup>14</sup> See Appendix A, page A-3, "Agenda, 800 MHz Florida Region Planning Meeting".

<sup>15</sup> See Appendix A, pages A-5 through A-18, "Official Minutes and Attendee List".

<sup>16</sup> See Appendix A, page A-21, "Florida APCO Frequency Advisors".

<sup>17</sup> See Appendix B, "Florida Region Committee Meetings", which includes the agenda, minutes and attendee lists of all meetings.